

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title by deleting "69087, 15821, and 15418, Methods and Compositions of Human Proteins and Uses Thereof" and replacing it with "METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS OF HUMAN 69087 NUCLEIC ACIDS AND USES THEREOF".

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following text:

This application is entitled to priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. provisional patent application 60/242,428 which was filed on October 23, 2000, to U.S. provisional patent application 60/241,884 which was filed on October 20, 2000, and to U.S. provisional patent application 60/241,877 which was filed on October 20, 2000.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the abstract beginning at page 138, with the following text:

"The invention provides isolated nucleic acids molecules, including 69087 nucleic acid molecules, which encode a novel G protein coupled receptor kinase, 15821 nucleic acid molecules, which encode a novel nuclear signaling protein, and 15418 nucleic acid molecules, which encode a mitogen-activated protein kinase phosphatase. The invention also provides antisense nucleic acid molecules, recombinant expression vectors containing 69087, 15821, or 15418 nucleic acid molecules, and host cells into which the expression vectors have been introduced, and non-human transgenic animals in which a 69087, 15821, or 15418 gene has been introduced or disrupted. The invention still further provides isolated 69087, 15821, and 15418 proteins, fusion proteins, antigenic peptides and anti-69087, anti-15821, and anti-15418 antibodies. Diagnostic methods utilizing compositions of the invention are also provided."